

**REMARKS**

Consideration of this application as amended on its merits is respectfully requested.

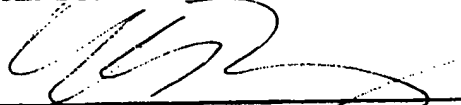
Changes have been made to the specification and substitute claims submitted that are believed to bring the application into conformance with conventional U.S. practice. No new matter has been added.

It is believed that this application now is in condition for examination on the merits. Favorable action is requested.

The Patent Office is authorized to charge or refund any fee deficiency or excess to Deposit Account No. 04-1061.

Respectfully submitted,

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